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SUMMARY STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON MATTERS OF WHICH THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS SEIZED AND ON THE STAGE REACHED IN THEIR CONSIDERATION

Addendum

Pursuant to rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the Secretary-General is submitting the following summary statement.

The list of items of which the Security Council is seized is contained in documents S/1997/40 of 10 January 1997 and S/1997/40/Add.10 of 21 March 1997.

During the week ending 22 March 1997, the Security Council took action on the following items:

The situation in Croatia (see S/25070/Add.37; S/1995/40/Add.5, 16, 17, 19, 23, 30, 31, 35, 39, 46 and 50; S/1996/15/Add.1, 2, 4, 7, 20, 26, 28, 30, 32, 45 and 50; and S/1997/40/Add.2, 4 and 9; see also S/22110/Add.38, 47 and 50; S/23370/Add.1, 5, 7, 14, 16, 19, 21, 23, 24, 26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 35-37, 40, 43, 45, 46, 49 and 50; S/25070/Add.1, 4, 7-9, 11-13, 15-19, 21-23, 24 and Corr.1, 26, 28-30, 32-34, 37, 39-42 and 45; S/1994/20 and Add.4, 6, 8, 10, 12-17, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 31, 34, 37, 38, 44-47 and 49; S/1995/40 and Add.1, 2, 6, 12, 14, 15, 18, 24, 26-29, 32, 36, 37, 40, 44 and 47-50; S/1996/15/Add.6, 8, 13, 18, 21, 31, 37, 39, 40, 47 and 49; and S/1997/40/Add.6 and 10)

The Security Council resumed its consideration of the item at its 3753rd meeting, held on 19 March 1997 in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations, having before it the further report on the situation of human rights in Croatia pursuant to Security Council resolution 1019 (1995) (S/1997/195).

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Croatia, at his request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote.

The President stated that, following consultations of the Council, he had been authorized to make a statement on behalf of the Council and read out the text of that statement (for the text, see S/PRST/1997/15; to be issued in

Official Records of the Security Council, Fifty-second Year, Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1997).

The situation concerning Western Sahara (see S/11593/Add.42 and 44; S/19420/Add.38; S/21100/Add.25; S/22110/Add.17; S/23370; S/25070/Add.9; S/1994/20/Add.12, 29 and 45; S/1995/40/Add.1, 14, 20, 25, 37 and 50; and S/1996/15/Add.21 and 47)

The Security Council resumed its consideration of the item at its 3754th meeting, held on 19 March 1997 in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations, having before it the report of the Secretary-General on the situation concerning Western Sahara (S/1997/166).

The President stated that, following consultations of the Council, he had been authorized to make a statement on behalf of the Council and read out the text of that statement (for the text, see S/PRST/1997/16; to be issued in Official Records of the Security Council, Fifty-second Year, Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1997).

The situation in Angola (see S/25070/Add.4, 10, 17, 22, 23, 28, 37, 44 and 50; S/1994/20/Add.5, 10, 21, 25, 31, 35, 38, 42, 43 and 48; S/1995/40/Add.5, 9, 14, 18, 31, 40 and 50; S/1996/15/Add.5, 16, 18, 27, 40 and 49; and S/1997/40/Add.4 and 8; see also S/19420/Add.51; S/22110/Add.21; and S/23370/Add.12, 27, 37, 40, 43, 48 and 51)

The Security Council resumed its consideration of the item at its 3755th meeting, held on 21 March 1997 in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations, having before it the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM III) (S/1997/239).

The President stated that, following consultations of the Council, he had been authorized to make a statement on behalf of the Council and read out the text of that statement (for the text, see S/PRST/1997/17; to be issued in Official Records of the Security Council, Fifty-second Year, Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1997).

The situation in the occupied Arab territories (see S/11935/Add.18-21, 44 and 45; S/13033/Add.9-11 and 28; S/13737/Add.7, 8, 18, 20, 22 and 50; S/14326/Add.50; S/14840/Add.1-4, 12, 13, 15, 16 and 45; S/15560/Add.6, 7, 20, 30 and 31; S/16880/Add.36; S/17725/Add.3, 4, 48 and 49; S/18570/Add.49-51; S/19420/Add.1, 2, 4, 5, 13 and 15; S/20370/Add.5, 6, 22, 26, 34 and 44; S/21100/Add.10, 12, 17, 20, 39, 40, 42, 44, 45 and 48-50; S/22110 and Add.12 and 20; S/23370/Add.1, 13 and 50; S/1994/20/Add.8 and 10; S/1995/40/Add.8, 18 and 19; S/1996/15/Add.15 and 38; and S/1997/40/Add.9)

By a letter dated 19 March 1997 addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1997/235), the Permanent Representative of Qatar to the United Nations, in his capacity as Chairman of the Arab Group for the month of March 1997 and on behalf of the members of the League of Arab States, requested that an immediate meeting of the Security Council be convened to consider the commencement by Israel of the construction of a new settlement in the

Jabal Abu Ghneim area to the south of East Jerusalem as well as Israeli settlement activities in general in the rest of the occupied territories.

The Security Council resumed its consideration of the item at its 3756th meeting, held on 21 March 1997 in response to the above request.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Israel and Qatar, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote.

At the same meeting, the President drew attention to the request contained in a letter dated 21 March 1997 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1997/242) that, in accordance with its previous practice, the Security Council invite the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations to participate in the debate. The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations to participate in the debate in accordance with the rules of procedure and the previous practice in that regard.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution (S/1997/241) that had been submitted by Egypt and Qatar.

The Security Council proceeded to vote on draft resolution S/1997/241, which received 13 votes in favour to 1 against (United States of America), with one abstention (Costa Rica), and was not adopted owing to the negative vote of a permanent member of the Council.